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SUBJECT: EGYPTIAN PRESS PLAY OF GOLAN CLASHES

1. FIGHTING ON GOLAN FRONT RECEIVES GENERALLY RESTRAINED TREATMENT IN ARABIC LANGUAGE AHRAM AND GUMHURIYYA MARCH 8, BUT AKHBAR AL-YAWM HEADLINES: "MISSILES ON SYRIAN FRONT: ARTILLERY AND MISSILE EXCHANGE BETWEEN ISRAEL AND SYRIA; AMERICA INTERVENES TO STOP FIGHTING." LEAD ARTICLE ACCUSES ISRAEL OF SEEKING EXCUSE TO START NEW WAR SO AS TO PUT STOP TO PROGRESS TOWARD PEACEFUL SOLUTION. NEWSPAPER QUOTES WESTERN SOURCES IN TEL AVIV AS SAYING AMERICA IS EXERTING GREAT EFFORTS PREVENT RENEWAL FIGHTING, WHICH WASHINGTON FEARS WILL JEOPARDIZE DISENGAGEMENT TALKS. USG HAS REPORTEDLY HAD "URGENT CONTACTS" WITH MOSCOW, CAIRO, DAMASCUS, AND TEL AVIV IN LAST TWO DAYS IN EFFORT PREVENT OUTBREAK OF NEW WAR ON SYRIAN FRONT.

2. AKHBAR AL-YAWM QUOTES SHIMON PERES AS SAYING ISRAEL RECEIVED INFORMATION CONCERNING POSSIBILITY RESUMPTION WAR ON SYRIAN FRONT FROM "CIA". AHRAM ALSO MENTIONS PERES, BUT NOT CIA, SAYING HE ANNOUNCED THAT US HAD CONVEYED TO ISRAEL UNCLASSIFIED

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INFORMATION ON MOBILIZATION SYRIAN FORCES ON GOLAN. THESE

SOURCES WERE THE SAME AS THOSE FROM WHICH INFO RECEIVED ON EVE OF OCTOBER WAR. GUMHURIYYA HAS SIMILAR FRONT PAGE ITEM HEADLINED: "ISRAELI MINISTER ANNOUNCES WASHINGTON WARNED US OF IMMINENT SYRIAN ATTACK". THIS ARTICLE ALSO QUOTES PERES STATEMENT WITHOUT MENTION OF CIA.

3. ENGLISH LANGUAGE DAILY EGYPTIAN GAZETTE HAS FRONT PAGE ITEM DATEDLINE TEL AVIV QUOTING PERES, AND ADDING: "IT GENERALLY BELIEVED THAT SOURCES IN OCTOBER WERE AMERICAN AND "MAARIV" HEADLINE TODAY (MARCH 8) SAID CATEGORICALLY THAT INFO CAME FROM THE US."

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